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Consent Agenda: Ratify Executive Committee Interim Actions (Prepared by Executive Committee Member Lisa Mangiafico)

BACKGROUND

Current parliamentary policy agrees on validating board decisions made remotely, and ratifying the Council's online and conference-call decisions via the Consent Agenda does not conflict with any existing SAA policy.

DISCUSSION

Given the Executive Committee's robust use of an e-mail discussion list to function as a group and make decisions remotely, approving interim Executive Committee actions via the Consent Agenda contributes to streamlining the group's work and improves access to the interim decisions of SAA's elected decision makers.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following interim actions taken by the Executive Committee between February 16, 2016, and March 21, 2016, be ratified:

- Approved an honorarium schedule for the Publication Editor's contract renewal (February 2016 February 2019).
- Submitted a <u>comment</u> to the Register of Copyrights, drafted by the Intellectual Property Working Group, on Section 1201 (February 18, 2016).
- Signed a thank you letter, drafted by Open the Government, to thank each co-sponsor of the Equal Access to Congressional Research Service Reports Act of 2016 (S.2639 and H.R. 4702). (March 7, 2016)
- Signed on, at the suggestion of the Intellectual Property Working Group, to an <u>amicus</u> <u>brief</u> filed by the Internet Archive on the case of Fox News Network, LLC v. TVEyes Inc. (March 21, 2016)